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**From:** Davis, Kable [Davis.Kable@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 8/12/2021 6:36:49 PM  
**To:** Leifer, Kerry [Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: UPDATED Awesome Possum Nominee - - PFAS Free Container

I'm getting ready to send Marietta the weekly email document. Were you going to provide a write-up for your new hire?

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**From:** Leifer, Kerry <Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 12, 2021 9:59 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Marion <Johnson.Marion@epa.gov>; Davis, Kable <Davis.Kable@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Herrick, Jacquelyn <Herrick.Jacquelyn@epa.gov>; Walsh, Michael <Walsh.Michael@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: UPDATED Awesome Possum Nominee - - PFAS Free Container

Please add Maria Rodriguez and Shyam Mathur as folks in CITAB that helped expedite the reviews.

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**From:** Johnson, Marion  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021 8:06 AM  
**To:** Davis, Kable <Davis.Kable@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Herrick, Jacquelyn <Herrick.Jacquelyn@epa.gov>; Walsh, Michael <Walsh.Michael@epa.gov>; Leifer, Kerry <Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov>  
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Thanks, Bo!

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Hi Marion –

I'll add your request to the list for this week, since I received it on my compressed day.

Enjoy the day.  
Bo

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**From:** Johnson, Marion <[Johnson.Marion@epa.gov](mailto:Johnson.Marion@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 09, 2021 9:17 AM  
**To:** Davis, Kable <[Davis.Kable@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Kable@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Herrick, Jacquelyn <[Herrick.Jacquelyn@epa.gov](mailto:Herrick.Jacquelyn@epa.gov)>; Walsh, Michael <[Walsh.Michael@epa.gov](mailto:Walsh.Michael@epa.gov)>; Leifer, Kerry <[Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov](mailto:Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov)>  
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**Importance:** High

Hi Bo,

I'm just circling back this morning to see if the entry below can be placed as a candidate for the Awesome Possum email this week. I sent the entry early last Friday, after the due date, so I wasn't too surprised to see that it wasn't included, especially since you were out last Friday. Nonetheless, let me know either way, so that I can alert the team to the likely status for this upcoming week's email. I also believe that Kerry intended upon sending one additional name, but I never received that additional entry from him.

Best regards,

Marion J.

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**From:** Johnson, Marion  
**Sent:** Friday, August 6, 2021 6:55 AM  
**To:** Davis, Kable <[Davis.Kable@epa.gov](mailto:Davis.Kable@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Di Salvo, Paul <[DiSalvo.Paul@epa.gov](mailto:DiSalvo.Paul@epa.gov)>; Britten, Anthony <[Britten.Anthony@epa.gov](mailto:Britten.Anthony@epa.gov)>; Echeverria, Marietta <[Echeverria.Marietta@epa.gov](mailto:Echeverria.Marietta@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: UPDATED Awesome Possum Nominee - - PFAS Free Container  
**Importance:** High

Hi Bo, et. al.:

I wanted to see if I could squeeze this late entry into the Awesome Possum email for this week on behalf of the IVBs. This is the entry regarding the PFAS work that I brought up to Catherine in the staff meeting this week. Nonetheless, my apologies for just getting this in, as I was downtown getting my badge security credentials updated yesterday, which caused this effort to slip from my plate. At any rate, thank you for the consideration.

Best regards,

Marion J.

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**From:** Walsh, Michael <[Walsh.Michael@epa.gov](mailto:Walsh.Michael@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 30, 2021 9:33 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Marion <[Johnson.Marion@epa.gov](mailto:Johnson.Marion@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** UPDATED Awesome Possum Nominee - - PFAS Free Container

[https://www3.epa.gov/pesticides/chem\\_search/ppls/008329-00117-20210628.pdf](https://www3.epa.gov/pesticides/chem_search/ppls/008329-00117-20210628.pdf)

Hi Marion.

Please see below.

**PFAS Container Team** – Since February, Jackie Herrick has been coordinating review of PRIA submissions for replacement of fluorinated HDPE pesticide containers with other IVB product Branches. EPA testing shows PFAS contamination of pesticide material from fluorinated containers. CITAB's Kerry Leifer and Dehui Duan have expedited their reviews of these chemistry actions resulting in completion of 23 Decisions to date. Acknowledgement of moving this project forward cannot be made without also recognizing Beth Fertich, Mike Walsh, and Chris Taylor for their contributions on the part of the IVBs making possible replacement of fluorinated containers. Additional thanks to Jennifer Gaines for assuring these documents are made available to program partners, stakeholders, and the public through posting to PPLS. Many thanks to everyone involved in this project.

For additional information on PFAS container issues, please see <https://www.epa.gov/pesticides/pfas-packaging>.